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CONDENSED NEWS FROM THE OLD NORTH STATE

SHORT NOTES OF INTEREST TO CAROLINIANS.

Winston-Salem.—The Wachovia Bank and Trust company has purchased at par \$300,000 road bonds of Forsyth County.

High Point.—Mrs. Annie Laurie Michael, wife of L. P. Michael, died suddenly, while taking a bath at her home here. Physicians said apoplexy was the cause of her death.

Mount Olive.—Brombley Jennette, the young man who sustained a dislocated spinal column, as a result of a dive in White Lake, died in a Fayetteville hospital.

Fayetteville.—The contract for the erection of the club house of the Fayetteville Country club was awarded to Luther Gentry, of this city, at a meeting of the directors of the club.

Gastonia.—Nearly 500 fire fighters representing almost 50 North Carolina municipalities registered for the annual state firemen's convention in session here.

Newton.—A number of the leading Jersey breeders of Catawba county met at the farm of Henry Lutz and organized a County Jersey Breeders' association.

Charlotte.—The American Trust company was the successful bidder for Charlotte school bonds of \$150,000 sold by the board of commissioners. The local banking house bought the bonds at par.

Lexington.—Several business men of Thomasville and this city will meet in Thomasville for the purpose of organizing a new bank, which will take over the affairs of the defunct Bank of Thomasville.

Charlotte.—Two of the four Chadwick-Hoskins mills, the Louise and the Hoskins started up their machinery and ran through the day quietly and without disorder, it was reported by mill officials.

Winston-Salem.—A tract of 59 acres here, purchased by the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco company, is to be used for the erection of large storage ware houses, four of which will be built immediately.

Charlotte. R. E. Veazy had his collar bone broken and other occupants were slightly injured when an automobile turned over four miles beyond Matthews.

Gastonia.—Hidden away in a dense thicket with a swamp on one side and a steep hill on the other, a blockade still between 40 and 50 gallons capacity was captured in the Beaverdam section.

Winston-Salem.—The funeral of Capt. M. L. Pankey, special agent of the Southern railway who was found dead in his office chair here, was held and the body was shipped to Alvarado, Texas.

Charlotte.—An airplane, piloted by Mike Palm, of Lincoln, and carrying an extra passenger, crashed into a telephone post in making a landing in a field adjacent to the Plaza. The two men were uninjured.

Morganton.—Eighteen years at hard labor in the state prison was the sentence pronounced by Judge Bryson for Sidney Kincaid, Burke county commissioner, whose trial on charge of wife murder had been in progress.

Murphy.—Charles Watkins special deputy, is dead; Allen Dean, another deputy, is dying; and Ben Fox, formerly a county commissioner, is seriously wounded as the result of a pitched battle with two alleged blockaders.

Chapel Hill.—Owing to its central location, as well as to the splendid record of Guilford county in road building, it has been decided to hold the twenty-first annual convention of the North Carolina Goods Roads association in Greensboro, October 11 and 12.

Newton.—The historic institution, Catawba college, opens its new year Sept. 5. The enrollment indicates the incoming of the largest student body for some years, five states being represented and five denominations represented in the faculty.

Winston-Salem.—A Contract was awarded to J. L. Crouse, of Greensboro, for immediate construction of a double cottage on the campus of the Methodist Children's Home, the building to be completed in 90 days. It will be known as the Tise building.

CHILD LABOR LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT CANNOT COLLECT TEN PER CENT FOR VIOLATIONS OF LAW.

IS MATTER FOR STATES ONLY

State Laws Provide Penalty and Not a Tax, as is Provided by the Act Ruled Upon, Says Judge Boyd.

Greensboro, N. C.—Judge James E. Boyd, in federal court, held the national child labor law, which seeks to collect a federal tax of ten per cent on the profits derived from the products of child labor, unconstitutional. The decision was in the case of the Vivian Spinning Mills, of Cherryville, N. C., seeking to restrain J. W. Bailey, collector of internal revenue, from enforcing the act.

The Owen-Keating child labor law was also held unconstitutional by Judge Boyd in decision rendered two years ago and that ruling was upheld by the Supreme Court of the United States.

Regulation of labor, Judge Boyd ruled in his decision, is one of the powers retained by the states, and not delegated to the federal government. State child labor laws are adequate to take care of the situation and provide a penalty, not a tax, as is proposed by the act of congress.

The attempt of the federal government to regulate labor within the state is an usurpation of authority and a violation of the sovereign rights of the state, concludes the ruling.

Tablet to Verdun Defenders.

Verdun, France.—Members of the American Legion dedicated a tablet to the defenders of Verdun in the city hall here. The ceremony was carried out in the presence of all the city officials.

New State Horses.

London.—The famous six cream ponies, which were formerly part of the state pegasus of London, will never appear again drawing the royal coach through the London streets as, owing to in-breeding, the stock has grown too small for ceremonial purposes.

Austrian Labor Unions Grow.

Vienna.—The labor unions of Austria have multiplied their membership since the war. The total of all the unions in the republic now amounts to 940,000 members as against 253,137 in 1914. The number of women members is 223,000.

Baltic Union for Protection.

Riga, Latvia.—Efforts are now under way to induce Finland to join the Baltic Union, which became an accomplished fact with the signing of various conventions leading to a triple alliance in Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania.

Export Bill Passed by House.

Washington.—With a number of amendments in the senate bill, which would make one billion dollars available through the war finance corporation for stimulating exportation of agricultural products, was passed by the house.

Sweden's Population.

Stockholm.—The total population at the end of 1920 amounted to over 5,904,000, according to the central statistical bureau's preliminary figures just published.

Mexicans Talking Prohibition.

Mexico City.—There is a well defined movement here which is said to have some official backing to make the federal district which embraces Mexico City become dry by September 1.

American Ambushed and Murdered.

El Paso, Texas.—Bennett Boyd, 18 years old, of El Paso, was ambushed and murdered by bandits in Mexico on August 18, according to messages received in El Paso by his father.

Result of Turkish Victory.

Constantinople.—Claim is made by the Turks that their success over the Greeks in the Sakaria river region has caused the retreat of the Greeks along the entire front.

Greeks Reach Sakaria River.

Smyrna.—After four days' fighting the Greeks have reached several points on the west bank of the Sakaria river, while the fight which was crushed behind the river, the Turkish left wing capturing 170 officers and 4,000 men.

TOWN AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATIONS

MEETING OF IMPORTANCE TO ENTIRE STATE SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 19-21.

NOTABLE LIST OF SPEAKERS

Governor Cameron Morrison Will Open the Conference With an Address on "Active Citizenship."

Raleigh

Plans for a conference on town and county administration in North Carolina, to be held at the University at Chapel Hill, September 19, 20 and 21, in which special consideration will be devoted to municipal and county finances, assumed definite form when H. W. Olum, director of the school of public welfare, announced a list of speakers of state and national reputation who have accepted invitations to participate in the meeting.

Among specific topics taken from the program are the following: What is the present financial status of the North Carolina towns and counties? What constitutes a standard workable municipal finance act? How can town, county and state finances be better correlated? What are the minimum standards of health, housing, education, safety, recreation, convenience and other social services? Speakers who have already indicated their intention to be present include Governor Cameron Morrison who will open the conference with an address on "Active Citizenship."

Carrying Troubles to Watts.

Cannon cotton mills, appealing from the Cabarrus assessments, will bring their troubles to Col. A. D. Watts and the equalization board and again Commissioner Watts will have an opportunity to review officially the work of the state tax commission. It is understood in the commissioner's office that the Cannons are not appealing from the state tax commission's assessment of 1920, as much as these were resisted, but from the increased valuations placed on their property by the county itself.

Miss Abernethy Unopposed.

Washington (Special).—Miss Sallie V. Abernethy, postmistress at Connelly Springs, has the distinction of being the only person that republican and democratic leaders have agreed on for reappointment. National Committeeman Morehead and Representative Bulwinkle think that she should retain the office she has had for ten years, since the Taft administration. She will have to stand an examination, but she has a decided advantage over would-be rivals.

Law Students Pass Test.

Breaking all records for size, 107 candidates for law license stood the supreme court test. The best previous class had 103. The candidates were 104 white men one white woman and two negroes. Three were received under the county act, distributing the examined almost equally among the University, Wake Forest and Trinity, with a liberal springing from Judge George Pell's law school.

Brownlow Jackson Confirmed.

Washington.—There will be no trouble over the confirmation of Brownlow Jackson as United States marshal of the Western District of North Carolina so far as the North Carolina senators are concerned, and there is nothing that indicates that any opposition will be brought into action by the republicans. Even Senators Hiram Johnson and Borah are expected to keep quiet, despite the fact that Mr. Jackson was a Chicago delegate who failed to vote for Hiram Johnson for the republican nomination.

Later.—Brownlow Jackson was confirmed by the senate for marshal of the Western District of North Carolina. This was one of the last acts of the senate before recess.

Cause of Bank Failure.

The Bank of Thomasville, closed by order of State Bank Examiner Clarence Latham, was the victim of over-extension of credit and inability to liquidate so rapidly as the deposits shrank, according to Mr. Latham. The bank was organized in 1899. Its cashier is Sol Griffith. It has no president. It will be able to pay its depositors, the corporation commission thinks. There is no charge of official wrongdoing or carelessness. This is the second Thomasville bank failure this year.

GREAT DIRIGIBLE CONSUMED BY FIRE

GIANT AIRSHIP EXPLODES HIGH IN AIR AND FALLS INTO THE HUMBER RIVER.

SPECTATORS PANIC STRICKEN

A Dispatch to the Press Association Says That Five Men Were Saved of the Crew of Forty-nine.

London.—The giant airship ZR-2, purchased by the United States from Great Britain, exploded over the city of Hull, according to advices received shortly after 6 o'clock.

The airship is a wreck in the river Humber.

The airship was passing over Hull in fine style when suddenly it was seen to break in two. Instantly there were terrific explosions and the airship burst into flames and commenced to descend. Three parachutes were seen to leave the ZR-2.

Thousands of the people of Hull watched the disaster. As the explosion occurred they dashed, panic-stricken in all directions for fear of being enveloped in the wreckage.

It was while the ZR 2 was cruising over Hull that she was seen to emerge from the clouds and suddenly break in two. One portion appeared to rise in the air. The other descended slowly and fell into the Humber.

A dispatch to the Press Association from Hull says five men were saved from the crew of forty-nine.

No Reunion of U. C. V.'s.

Lynchburg, Va.—Published reports that this year's reunion of the United Confederate Veterans, Sons of Veterans and other affiliated organizations has been abandoned because no southern city was willing to act as host, were confirmed by Arthur H. Jennings, historian-in-chief of the Sons of Veterans.

Three Separate Whiskey Rings.

New York.—A special anti-bootlegging force sent to New York by the department of internal revenue has found evidence of three big separate whiskey rings, operating in the belief that they are "grandly immune to the law," said Howard R. Kiroack, head of the force.

A Heavyweight Family.

Bellefonte, Pa.—Census takers may have that famous straw that broke the camel's back. Phillip Straw and his nine children are claiming the heavyweight family championship of the state. The ten of them weigh 2,318 pounds.

Law to Regulate Rentals.

Cincinnati, O.—It is reported that the matter of enacting laws to govern rental of residence property will receive serious consideration at the annual convention of the American Bar Association, to be held in Cincinnati from August 30 to September 2.

Stephenson Is Bound Over.

Birmingham, Ala.—Rev. Edwin R. Stephenson, who shot and killed Father James E. O'Boyle, pastor of St. Paul's Catholic Church, on August 11, was bound over to await action of the Jefferson county grand jury at a preliminary trial.

Legion's Home-Coming Welcome.

Chateau Thierry, France.—The American Legion delegation found a home-coming welcome when they returned to Chateau Thierry, made famous by their feats of valor against the Germans in the world war.

Will Allen Is Lynched.

Columbia, S. C.—Will Allen, negro, who shot and killed Noah Frick, a white farmer of the Chapin section of Lexington county, was lynched by a posse of 150 men near Chapin.

Treaty With Austria Signed.

Vienna.—The treaty of peace with the United States was signed at 1 o'clock in the afternoon.

Steamer Line Resumes.

Charleston, S. C.—Announcement was made by J. L. Doten, agent for the Baltimore & Carolina Steamship company, that this line would resume regular sailings between Charleston, Georgetown and Baltimore.

Marines to Sail.

Charleston, S. C.—The U. S. S. Henderson, a transport, is on her way from Norfolk to call here for a contingent of 400 marines who will embark for the West Indies. They will come from Parris Island.

Bids to be Received for Erection of Brick School Building

I will receive bids for the erection of an eight-room brick school building with auditorium. Said building to be erected in the Cove Creek Consolidated districts. Will receive bids up to 2 o'clock p. m. September 10, 1921 when said bids will be opened. I reserve the right to reject any and all bids. You can see the blue prints of said building at W. F. Sherwood's store. This August 15, 1921.

ENOCH SWIFT, Ch'm. Building Committee. Amantha, N. C. au18.4c

LOST: Last Friday afternoon,

August 19, some where between Mabel and N. L. Mast's store, a dark red lady's sweater. Will the finder please return to Y Vonne Ward, Mabel, N. C., and get reward.

Big Sale

OF DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, ETC.

SALE STARTS

SEPTEMBER 10th, 1921 AND LASTS TEN DAYS

We will offer for sale our entire stock of goods at your price, not ours. We will sell you shoes worth \$15 for \$8.25; shoes worth \$5.50 at \$5.00; children's shoes from 50 cents to \$2.15; will sell you cloth worth 25 to \$1.10 per yard for 10 to 45 cents. Will sell you all 3/4 sheeting at 35 cents per yard.

We haven't space to enumerate all of the bargains but have a \$5000 stock to pick from, so come before others get the articles you want.

We will pay the top price for all your produce, eggs 25 cents, butter 20 cents, chickens to the top market.

TERMS.—All goods will be sold for cash, and everyone buying as much as \$10.00 worth of goods will be given 5 pounds of sugar.

Everyone due us will take notice then, for we must collect to we will be able to meet our obligations. So come and settle and buy some goods at a low price.

SALE STARTS SEPTEMBER

10, 1921, AND LASTS TILL

SEPTEMBER 20, 1921—10 days

to give our friends some real bargains. Come, spend the night if you will; it won't cost you anything. Bring your friends and we will have a good time.

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R. D. JENNINGS

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BOONE, N. C.

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1:00 to 4:00 p. m.

Write or phone me for appointments. Will give you the earliest date possible.

FARM FOR SALE IN SEQUATCHIE VALLEY, TENNESSEE.

Two hundred and forty (240) acres, about 100 cleared, all level bottom land in high state of cultivation, balance in fairly good timber easily accessible for working. There is on this farm one of the finest and best homes anywhere in the county; fine main house, almost new, stone foundation with large stone basement and fire place and running water in it. Running water in house and barn piped from fine mountain spring; a very nice, finely equipped dairy barn with complete dairying outfit, including large power churn, separator, international gas engine, grist mill, corn crusher—in fact a complete outfit with running water all thru the barn. A very fine vineyard and good orchard, peaches, apples and pears. This is one among the finest homes and places to live in East Tennessee. One-half mile to station, school and church, and three and one-half miles from Dunlap, the seat of Sequatchie county. Will sell this farm, together with the equipment mentioned, for \$11,000 on good terms. The improvements alone are worth the price asked. If interested kindly write me at Dunlap, Tenn.

HUGH M. WAGNER.

FINE LITTLE FARM FOR SALE AT BUTLER, TENNESSEE.

Twenty-four and one-fourth (24 1/4) acres, within half a mile of the school at Butler, Tennessee. Fourteen acres level, balance good upland, all cleared and in a high state of cultivation. Seven-room new bungalow residence and large new barn and other out buildings. The buildings alone on this place would cost more than one-half the amount asked for the farm. Every one in this country knows about Butler, being one of the finest little mountain towns anywhere in the country and known everywhere as the best school town in East Tennessee. I will for immediate acceptance take \$1,250 on good terms for the place. This is certainly a bargain for some one, so don't delay investigate this proposition.

HUGH M. WAGNER.

Dunlap, Tenn.

MORTGAGE SALE OF LAND.

Under and by virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed executed by J. P. Hodges to the undersigned mortgagee, G. A. Hodges, on the 31st day of March, 1920, which said mortgage is recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Watauga county in Book U of mortgages, on page 493, on the 24th day of June, 1920, to secure the payment of the sum of five thousand dollars cash, which is evidenced by two promissory notes for the sum of \$2,500 each, together with interest on the same from March 31, 1920, and that, whereas, there now remains due and payable on said notes the sum of \$2,900.00 and interest on the same from this date, and default having been made in the payment of said notes according to the terms and conditions as expressed in said mortgage, now, therefore, I will proceed to sell the following described lands at public auction at the court house door in the town of Boone, N. C., between the hours of 10 a. m. and 3 p. m., on the 28th day of Sept., 1921, said lands being bounded and described as follows: Lying in Boone township, Watauga county, and known as the G. A. Hodges land, containing 100 acres more or less, and contains the same land and has the same calls and description as the deed from G. A. Hodges, and wife Lilly, to J. P. Hodges, dated March 31, 1920, and is for the purchase money for said land. The deed above referred to contained four tracts but were all contained in one deed, and said mortgage is intended to contain and to cover all said tracts. And for a more particular description of said lands, reference is hereby made to the records of said mortgage herein before mentioned. This 18th day of August, 1921.

G. A. HODGES, Mortgagee.

W. R. LOVILL, Atty.

Dr. Speas' Infirmary

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